

# OREGON SHEEP AND GOATS

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## Oregon and US January 1 Sheep Inventory

Oregon sheep and lamb inventory totaled 225,000 head on January 1, 2010, up 5,000 head from the previous year. The market flock increased by 1,000 head to 71,000. Breeding sheep inventory increased by 4,000 head, with 121,000 ewes, 8,000 rams, and 25,000 replacement lambs. The 2009 lamb crop totaled 156,000 lambs, down less than 1 percent. The lambing rate was 129 percent. Wool production totaled 1.13 million pounds, down 5.0 percent. The average fleece weight was 6.3 pounds. The average price was \$0.66 per pound for a total value of \$746,000, down 7.8 percent.

U.S. sheep and lamb inventory totaled 5.63 million head on January 1, 2010, down 2 percent from 2009. Breeding sheep inventory decreased to 4.19 million head, down 1 percent from 4.25 million the previous year. Ewes one year old and older, at 3.34 million head, were 2 percent below last year. Market sheep and lambs totaled 1.44 million head, down 4 percent from 2009. Market lambs comprised 94 percent of the total marketings. Twenty-five percent were lambs under 65 pounds, 12 percent were 65 - 84 pounds, 19 percent were 85 - 105 pounds, and 38 percent were over 105 pounds. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of total marketings. The 2009 lamb crop of 3.69 million head, was down 1 percent from 2008. The 2009 lambing rate was 108 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on January 1, 2009, up 3 percent from 2008. Wool production in the United States during 2009 was 30.9 million pounds, down 6 percent from 2008. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 4.20 million head, down 5 percent from 2008. The average price paid for wool sold in 2009 was \$0.79 per pound for a total value of 24.4 million dollars, down 25 percent from 32.5 million dollars in 2008.

Sheep: Inventory and lamb crop, selected states and United States, January 1, 2010

State	All sheep			Breeding sheep			Total market sheep and lambs
	2009	2010	2010 / 2009	Ewes 1 yr. and older	Total sheep and lambs	2009 <sup>1</sup> Lamb crop	
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
California	660	610	92	263	320	250	290
Idaho	210	220	105	150	180	195	40
Montana	255	255	100	188	235	235	20
<b>Oregon</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>71</b>
Washington	53	60	113	38	48	55	12
United States	5,747	5,630	98	3,340	4,190	3,690	1,440

<sup>1</sup> Lamb crop is defined as lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

## Angora, Milk, Meat and Other Goat Inventory

Oregon goat and kid inventory totaled 41,000 head on January 1, 2010, an increase of 5.1 percent from the previous year. Angora goat inventory increased 100 head to 1,900 head. Milk goat inventory decreased 100 animals to 9,100 head. Meat and other goat inventory increased 7.1 percent to 30,000 head.

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2010, totaled 3.04 million head, down 1 percent from 2009. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.53 million head down 1 percent from 2009. All market goats and kids totaled 518,000 head, down 2 percent from a year ago. On January 1, 2010 meat and all other goats totaled 2.54 million head, down 11,000 head from 2009. Milk goat inventory increased 6 percent to 355,000 head while angora goats were down 19 percent totaling 150,000 head. The 2009 kid crop totaled 1.94 million head for all goats, down 1 percent from 2008. Mohair production in the United States during 2009 was 1.01 million pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 160,500 head. Average weight per clip was 6.30 pounds. Mohair price was \$2.66 per pound with a value of 2.69 million dollars.

Goats: Inventory by class, selected states and United States, January 1, 2010

State	Angora goats		Milk goats		Meat and other goats		Total	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	Head	Head	Head	Head	Head	Head	Head	Head
California	4,000	3,500	37,000	38,000	95,000	93,000	136,000	134,500
Idaho			2,500	2,800	12,000	13,000	14,500	15,800
<b>Oregon</b>	<b>1,800</b>	<b>1,900</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>9,100</b>	<b>28,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>39,000</b>	<b>41,000</b>
Washington	1,000	1,000	7,100	7,300	27,000	22,000	35,100	30,300
United States	185,000	150,000	335,000	355,000	2,549,000	2,538,000	3,069,000	3,043,000

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